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[RUSH] MESSAGE: Claim 8 (orig. 9) ends without a period -
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[XRUSH] RESPONSE: Corrected

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6. (previously presented) The open and close mechanism according to claim 5, wherein the lock further comprises a convex projection that projects from the cam member and that serves to lock the door when the door is in the closed position.

7. (previously presented) The open and close mechanism according to claim 5, wherein a motor energizes the gear for closing the door.

8. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a door that opens and closes an insertion path of a recording medium;

a lock that secures the door when the door is in a closed position,

wherein the lock is released when the door is moved to an open position,

wherein the lock does not exert a driving force to move the door to the open position or the closed position.

9. (new) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the door opens and closes the insertion path of the recording medium via a driving device,

wherein the lock secures the door in the closed position whether or not the recording medium is provided in the apparatus, and

wherein the lock maintains a secured condition when an external force, other than a driving force of the driving device, acts on the door.

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